# APPENDIX 1-E FEDERAL LEASE



### United States Department of the Interior

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT UTAH STATE OFFICE 136 E. SOUTH TEMPLE SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84111

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#### DECISION

C.O.P. Coal Development Company

Coal

53 West Angelo Avenue

U-024316

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

U-024318

### Assignments Approved Bond Accepted

On April 25, 1980, Assignments of Coal leases U-024316 and U-024318, entered into on April 1, 1980 between Peabody Coal Company, as assignor, and C.C.P. Coal Development Company, as assignee, were filed in this office.

Satisfactory evidence of the qualifications and holdings of C.O.P. Coal Development Company has been filed and the lease accounts are in good standing. The assignments appear to meet the requirements of the regulations and are hereby approved effective September 1, 1980. Approval of the assignments does not constitute approval of any of the terms therein which may be in violation of the lease terms.

As required by the regulations in 43 CFR 3472.2(a), a Personal Bond and Power of Attorney, secured by \$5,000 cash, was filed in this office on August 20, 1980, for each coal lease. The bonds are satisfactory and are accepted effective August 20, 1980.

Chief, Minerals Section

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C. O. P. Coal Development Company 53 West Angelo Avenue Salt Lake City, UT 84115

hereinafter called lessee, is readjusted, effective May 1, 1988, for a period of 10 years and for so long thereafter as coal is produced in commercial quantities from the leased lands, subject to readjustment of lease terms at the end of each 10 year lease period.

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and to the regulations and formal orders of the Secretary of the Interior which are now or hereafter in force, when not inconsistent with the express and specific provisions herein.

Sec. 2. Lessor, in consideration of any rents and royalties to be paid, and the conditions and covenants to be observed as herein set forth, hereby grants to lessee the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, mine, extract, remove or otherwise process and dispose of the coal deposits in, upon, or under the following described lands:

T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah, Emery County Sec. 13, W%W%; Sec. 14, NE%, E%NW%.

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shall take measures deemed necessary by lessor to accomplish the intent of this lease term. Such measures may include, but not limited to, modification to proposed siting or design of facilities, timing of operations, and specification of interim and final reclamation procedures. reserves to itself the right to lease. sell, or otherwise dispose of the surface or other mineral deposits in the lands and the right to continue existing uses and to authorize future uses upon or in the leased lands, including issuing leases for mineral deposits, not covered hereunder and approving easements or rights-of-way. Lessor shall condition such uses to prevent unnecessary or unreasonable interference with rights of lessee as may be consistent with concepts of multiple use and multiple mineral development.

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Lessee will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

Neither lessee nor lessee's subcontractors shall maintain segregated facilities.

### Sec. 9.(a) TRANSFERS

- This lease may be transferred in whole or in part to any person, association, or corporation qualified to hold such lease interest.
- This lease may be transferred in whole or in part to another public body, or to a person who will mine the coal on behalf of, and for the use of, the public body or to a person who for the limited purpose of creating a security interest in favor of a lender agrees to be obligated to mine the coal on behalf of the public body.
- This lease may only be transferred in whole or in part to another small business qualified under 13 CFR 121.

Transfers of record title, working or royalty interest <u>must</u> be approved in accordance with the regulations.

- (b) RELINQUISHMENT The lessee may relinquish in writing at any time all rights under this lease or any portion thereof as provided in the regulations. Upon lessor's acceptance of the relinquishment, lessee shall be relieved of all future obligations under the lease or the relinquished portion thereof, whichever is applicable.
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leased, underground timbering, such other supports and structures necessary for the preservation of the mine workings on the leased premises or deposits and place all workings in condition for suspension or abandon-Within 180 days thereof, lessee shall remove from the premises all other structures, machinery, equipment, tools, and materials that it elects to or as required by the authorized officer. Any such structures, machinery, equipment, tools, and materials remaining on the leased lands beyond 180 days, or approved extension thereof, shall become the property of the lessor, but lessee shall either remove any or all such property or shall continue to be liable for the cost of removal and disposal in the amount actually incurred by the lessor. If the surface is owned by third parties, lessor shall waive the requirement removal, provided the third parties do not object to such waiver. Lessee shall, prior to the termination of bond liability or at any other time when required and in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations, reclaim all lands the surface of which has been disturbed, dispose of all debris or solid waste, repair the offsite and onsite damage caused by lessee's activity or activities incidental thereto, and reclaim access roads or trails.

Sec. 11. PROCEEDINGS IN CASE OF DEFAULT - If lessee fails to comply with applicable laws, existing regulations, or the terms, conditions and stipulations of this lease, and the noncompliance continues for 30 days after written notice thereof, this lease shall be subject to cancellation by the lessor only by judicial proceedings. This provision shall not be construed to prevent the exercise by lessor of any other legal and equitable remedy, including waiver of the default. Any such remedy or waiver shall not prevent later

cancellation for the same default occurring at any other time.

- Sec. 12. HEIRS AND SUCCESSORS IN-INTEREST Each obligation of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon, and every benefit hereof shall inure to, the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns of the respective parties hereto.
- Sec. 13. INDEMNIFICATION Lessee shall indemnify and hold harmless the United States from any and all claims arising out of the lessee's activities and operations under this lease.
- Sec. 14. SPECIAL STATUTES This lease is subject to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1151 1175); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 et seq.), and to all other applicable laws pertaining to exploration activities, mining operations and reclamation, including the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1201 et seq.)

#### Sec. 15. SPECIAL STIPULATIONS -

- 1. The Regulatory Authority shall mean the State Regulatory Authority pursuant to a cooperative agreement approved under 30 CFR Part 745 or in the absence of a cooperative agreement, Office of Surface Mining. The authorized officer shall mean the State Director, Bureau of Land Management. The authorized officer of the Surface Management Agency shall mean the Forest Supervisor, Forest Service. Surface Management Agency for private surface is the Bureau of Land Management. For adjoining private lands with Federal minerals and which primarily involve National Forest Service issues, the Forest Service will have the lead for environmental analysis and, when necessary, documentation in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.
- 2. The authorized officers, of the Bureau of Land Management, Office of Surface Mining (Regulatory Authority), and the Surface Management Agency (Forest Service) respectively, shall coordinate, as practical, regulation of mining operations and associated activities on the lease area.
- 3. In accordance with Sec. 523(b) of the "Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977," surface mining and reclamation operations conducted on this lease are to conform with the requirements of this Act and are subject to compliance with Office of Surface Mining Regulations, or as applicable, a Utah program equivalent approved under cooperative agreement in accordance with Sec. 523(c). The United States Government does not warrant that the entire tract will be susceptible to mining.

4. Federal Regulations 43 CFR 3400 pertaining to Coal Management make provisions for the Surface Management Agency, the surface of which is under the jurisdiction of any Federal agency other than the Department of Interior, to consent to leasing and to prescribe conditions to insure the use and protection of the lands. All or part of this lease contain lands the surface of which are managed by the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Manti-LaSal National Forest.

The following stipulations pertain to the lessee responsibility for mining operations on the lease area and on adjacent areas as may be specifically designated on National Forest System lands.

5. Before undertaking activities that may disturb the surface of previously undisturbed leased lands, the lessee may be required to conduct a cultural resource inventory and a paleontological appraisal of the areas to be disturbed. These studies shall be conducted by qualified professional cultural resource specialists or qualified paleontologists, as appropriate, and a report prepared itemizing the findings. A plan will then be submitted making recommendations for the protection of, or measures to be taken to mitigate impacts for identified cultural or paleontological resources.

If cultural resources or paleontological remains (fossils) of significant scientific interest are discovered during operations under this lease, the lessee prior to disturbance shall, immediately bring them to the attention of the appropriate authorities. Paleontological remains of significant scientific interest do not include leaves, ferns, or dinosaur tracks commonly encountered during underground mining operations.

The cost of conducting the inventory, preparing reports, and carrying out mitigating measures shall be borne by the lessee.

6. If there is reason to believe that threatened or endangered (T&E) species of plants or animals, or migratory bird species of high Federal interest occur in the area the lessee shall be required to conduct an intensive field inventory of the area to be disturbed and/or impacted. The inventory shall be conducted by a qualified specialist and a report of findings will be prepared. A plan will be prepared making recommendations for the protection of these species or action necessary to mitigate the disturbance.

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- 7. The lessee shall be required to perform a study to secure adequate baseline data to quantify the existing surface resources on and adjacent to the lease area. Existing data may be used if such data is adequate for the intended purposes. The study shall be adequate to locate, quantify, and demonstrate the inter-relationship of the geology, topography, surface hydrology, vegetation, and wildlife. Baseline data will be established so that future programs of observation can be incorporated at regular intervals for comparison.
- 8. Powerlines used in conjunction with the mining of coal from this lease shall be constructed so as to provide adequate protection for raptors and other large birds. When feasible, powerlines will be located at least 100 yards from public roads.

- 9. The limited area available for mine facilities at the coal outcrop, steep topography, adverse winter weather, and physical limitations on the size and design of the access road, are factors which will determine the ultimate size of the surface area utilized for the mine. A site specific environmental analysis will be prepared for each new mine site development and for major modifications to existing developments to examine alternatives and mitigate conflicts.
- 10. The lessee shall be required to establish a monitoring system to locate, measure, and quantify the progressive and final effects of underground mining activities on the topographic surface, underground and surface hydrology and vegetation. The monitoring system shall utilize techniques which will provide a continuing record of change over time and an analytical method for location and measurement of a number of points over the lease area. The monitoring shall incorporate and be an extension of the baseline data.
- 11. The lessee shall provide for the suppression and control of fugitive dust on haul roads and at coal handling and storage facilities. On Forest Development Roads (FDR), lessees may perform their share of road maintenance by a commensurate share agreement if a significant degree of traffic is generated that is not related to their activities.
- 12. Except at specifically approved locations, underground mining operations shall be conducted in such a manner so as to prevent surface subsidence that would: (1) cause the creation of hazardous conditions such as potential escarpment failure and landslides, (2) cause damage to existing surface structures, and (3) damage or alter the flow of perennial streams. The lessee shall provide specific measures for the protection of escarpments, and determine corrective measures to assure that hazardous conditions are not created.
- 13. In order to avoid surface disturbance on steep canyon slopes and to preclude the need for surface access, all surface breakouts for ventilation tunnels shall be constructed from inside the mine, except at specifically approved locations.
- 14. The coal contained within, and authorized for mining under this lease, shall be extracted only by underground mining methods.
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- 16. In order to protect big game wintering areas, elk calving and deer fawning areas, sagegrouse strutting areas, and other critical wildlife habitat and/or activities, specific surface uses outside the mine development area may be curtailed during specific periods of the year.
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their accessories and appendages (witness trees, bearing trees, etc.), or restore them to their original condition and location, or at other locations that meet the requirements of the rectangular surveying system. This work shall be conducted at the expense of the lessee, by a professional land surveyor registered in the State of Utah and to the standards and guidelines found in the manual of surveying instruction, U.S. Department of Interior.

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All matters related to this stipulation are to be addressed to:

Forest Supervisor Manti-LaSal National Forest 599 West Price River Drive Price, Utah 84501

Telephone No.: 801-637-2817

who is the authorized representative of the Secretary of Agriculture.

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Serial Number <u>U-024318</u>

Lease Date May 1, 1958

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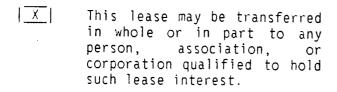
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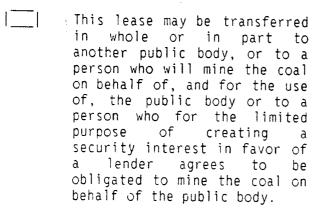
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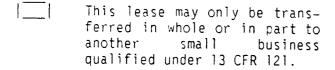
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The following stipulations made part of this lease may be waived or amended with the mutual consent of the lessor and lessee.

- 1. In accordance with Sec. 523(b) of the "Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977," surface mining and reclamation operations conducted on this lease are to conform with the requirements of this act and are subject to compliance with Office of Surface Mining regulations, or as applicable. a Utah program equivalent approved under cooperative agreement in accordance with Sec. 523(c). The United States Government does not warrant that the entire tract will be susceptible to mining.
- 2. The permitting of any mining operations on the lease will be subject to the possible designation of any portion of the lease as unsuitable for some or all kinds of surface mining under the regulations of the Department under the <u>Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977</u> (SMCRA) in effect at the time of action on the mine plan permit.
- 3. Before undertaking activities that may disturb the surface of previously undisturbed leased lands, the lessee may be required to conduct a cultural resource inventory of the areas to be disturbed. These studies shall be conducted by qualified professional cultural resource specialists and a report prepared

itemizing the findings. A plan will then be submitted making recommendations for the protection of, or measures to be taken to mitigate impacts for identified cultural resources.

If significant cultural resources are discovered during operations under this lease, the lessee shall immediately bring them to the attention of the authorized officer who shall evaluate or have evaluated such discoveries and, within 5 working days, shall notify the Lessee what action shall be taken with respect to such discoveries.

The cost of conducting the inventory, preparing reports, and carrying out necessary protective mitigating measures shall be borne by the lessee.

4. Before undertaking activities that may disturb the surface of previously undisturbed leased lands, the lessee may be required to conduct a paleontological appraisal of the areas to be disturbed. The appraisal shall be conducted by qualified paleontologists and a report prepared itemizing the findings. A plan will then be submitted making recommendations for the protection of, or measures to be taken to mitigate impacts for identified paleontological resources.

If paleontological remains (fossils) of significant scientific interest are discovered during operations under this lease, the lessee shall immediately bring them to the attention of the authorized officer who shall evaluate or have evaluated such discoveries brought to his attention and, within 5 working days, shall notify the lessee what action shall be taken with respect to such discoveries. Paleontological remains of significant scientific interest do not include leaves, ferns, or dinosaur tracks commonly encountered during underground mining operations.

The cost of conducting the inventory, preparing reports, and carrying out necessary protective mitigating measures shall be borne by the lessee. The cost of salvage of paleontological remains (fossils) shall be borne by the United States.

5. If there is reason to believe that threatened or endangered (T&E) species of plants or animals, or migratory species of high Federal interest occur in the area, the lessee shall be required to conduct an intensive field inventory of the area to be disturbed and/or impacted. A listing of migratory birds of high Federal interest in Federal coal producing regions is published by the Fish and Wildlife Service, Migratory Bird Management Office, Washington, D.C. The inventory shall be conducted by qualified specialist and a report of findings will be prepared. A plan will be prepared making recommendations for the protection of these species or action necessary to mitigate the disturbance.

The cost of conducting the inventory, preparing reports, and carrying out necessary protective mitigating measures shall be borne by the lessee.

6. The lessee shall be required to perform a study to secure adequate baseline data to quantify the existing surface resources on and adjacent to the lease area. Existing data may be used if such data is adequate for the intended purposes. The study shall be adequate to locate, quantify, and demonstrate the inter-relationship of the geology, topography, surface hydrology, vegetation, and wildlife. Baseline data will be established so that future programs of observation can be incorporated at regular intervals for comparison.

- 7. Powerlines on the lease area used in conjunction with the mining of coal from this lease shall be constructed so as to provide adequate protection for raptors and other large birds. When feasible, powerlines will be located at least 100 yards from public roads.
- 8. The lessee shall provide for the suppression and control of fugitive dust on haul roads and at coal handling and storage facilities on the lease area. The migration of road surfacing and subsurface materials into streams and water courses shall be prevented.
- 9. The lessee shall be required to establish a monitoring system to locate, measure, and quantify the progressive and final effects of underground mining activities on the topographic surface, underground and surface hydrology and vegetation. The monitoring system shall utilize techniques which will provide a continuing record of change over time and an analytical method for location and measurement of a number of points over the lease area. The monitoring shall incorporate and be an extension of the baseline data.
- 10. Except at specifically approved locations, underground mining operations shall be conducted in such a manner so as to prevent surface subsidence that would: 1) cause the creation of hazardous conditions such as potential escarpment failure and landslides, 2) cause damage to existing surface structures, and 3) damage or alter the flow of perennial streams.
- 11. In order to avoid surface disturbance on steep canyon slopes and to satisfy the need for surface access, all surface breakouts for ventilation tunnels shall be constructed from inside the mine, except at specifically approved locations.
- 12. Support facilities, structures, equipment, and similar developments will be removed from the lease area within 2 years after the final termination of use of such facilities. This provision shall apply unless the requirement of Section 10 of the lease form is applicable. Disturbed areas and those areas occupied by such facilities will be stabilized and rehabilitated, drainages reestablished, and the areas returned to a premining land use.

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DECISION:

Nevada Electric Investment Co. P. O. Box 320 Las Vegas, NV 89151 Coal Leases U-020668 and U-38727

### Leases Readjusted Effective Nay 1, 1988

On October 30, 1987, Hevada Electric Investment Company was sent a Hotice of Proposed Readjustment of Leases in connection with coal leases U-020668 and U-38727. No objections to the terms as stated were filed within the 60 day period allowed. Therefore, coal leases U-020668 and U-38727 are readjusted effective Hay 1, 1988 as stipulated in the decision and Coal Lease Readjustments.

The new rental and royalty rates will be effective simultaneously with the effective date of the readjustments.

Lease bonds in the amount of \$5,000 for each of the subject leases are currently on file. These bonds are conditioned upon compliance with all the terms and conditions of the coal leases. It has been determined that these bonds are presently adequate coverage for these leases.

ROBERT LONG

Chief, Minerals Adjudication Section

Enclosure
Coal Lease Readjustments

cc: Resource Development Committee w/encl.
Solid Hinerals w/encl.
USFS, Ogden w/encl.
IMS, AFS, Denver w/encl.
Moab District w/encl.

CC: SERA SLMS

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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### COAL LEASE READJUSTMENT

### Part I. LEASE RIGHTS GRANTED

This lease, entered into by and between the United States of America, hereinafter called the lessor, through the Bureau of Land Management, and

Nevada Electric Investment Company P. O. Box 230 Las Vegas, NV 89151

hereinafter called lessee, is readjusted, effective May 1, 1988, for a period of 10 years and for so long thereafter as coal is produced in commercial quantities from the leased lands, subject to readjustment of lease terms at the end of each 10 year lease period.

Sec. 1. This lease readjustment is subject to the terms and provisions of the:

- Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, 41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C. 181-287, hereinafter referred to as the Act;
- | Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands, Act of August 7, 1947, 61 Stat. 913, 30 U.S.C. 351-359;

and to the regulations and formal orders of the Secretary of the Interior which are now or hereafter in force, when not inconsistent with the express and specific provisions herein.

Sec. 2. Lessor, in consideration of any rents and royalties to be paid, and the conditions and covenants to be observed as herein set forth, hereby grants to lessee the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, mine, extract, remove or otherwise process and dispose of the coal deposits in, upon, or under the following described lands:

- T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah, Emery County Sec. 25, SE%NE%, NE%SE%.
- T. 16 S., R. 8 E., SLM, Utah Sec. 30, lots 1-4, W%NE%, E%W%, NW%SE%; Sec. 31, NW%NE%, NE%NW%.

containing 626.32 acres, more or less, together with the right to construct such works, buildings, plants, structures, equipment and appliances and the right to use such on-lease rights-of-way which may be necessary and convenient in the exercise of the rights and privileges granted, subject to the conditions herein provided.

PART II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Sec. 1.(a) RENTAL RATE - Lessee
shall pay lessor rental annually and
in advance for each acre or fraction
thereof during the continuance of the
lease at the rate of \$3.00 for each
lease year.

(b) RENTAL CREDITS - Rental shall not be credited against either production or advance royalties for any year.

Sec. 2.(a) PRODUCTION ROYALTIES — The royalty shall be 12% percent of the value of coal produced by strip or auger mining methods and 8 percent of the value of coal produced by underground mining methods. Royalties are due to lessor the final day of the months succeeding the calendar month in which the royalty obligation accrues.

(b) ADVANCE ROYALTIES request by the lessee, the authorized officer may accept for a total of not more than 10 years, the payment of advance royalties in lieu of continued operation, consistent with the regulations. The advance royalty shall be based on a percent of the value of a minimum number of tons determined in the manner established by the advance royalty regulations in effect at the time the lessee requests approval to pay advance royalties in lieu of continued operation.

Sec. 3. BONDS - Lessee shall maintain in the proper office a lease bond in the amount of \$5,000. The authorized officer may require an adjustment in the amount of the bond to reflect changed conditions.

Sec. 4. DILIGENCE - This lease is subject to the conditions of diligent development and continued operation, except that these conditions are excused when operations under the lease are interrupted by strikes, the elements, or casualties

not attributable to the lessee. The lessor, in the public interest, may suspend the condition of continued operation upon payment of advance royalties in accordance with the regulations in existence at the time of the suspension. Lessee's failure to produce coal in commercial quantities at the end of 10 years shall terminate the lease. If not submitted already, lessee shall submit an operation and reclamation plan pursuant to Section 7 of the Act not later than 3 years after the effective date of this lease readjustment.

The lessor reserves the power to assent to or order the suspension of the terms and conditions of this lease in accordance with, <u>inter alia</u>, Section 39 of the Mineral Leasing Act, 30 U.S.C. 209.

Sec. 5. LOGICAL MINING UNIT (LMU) - Either upon approval by the lessor of the lessee's application or at the direction of the lessor, this lease shall become a LMU or part of a LMU, subject to the provisions set forth in the regulations.

The stipulations established in a LMU approval in effect at the time of LMU approval will supersede the relevant inconsistent terms of this lease so long as the lease remains committed to the LMU. If the LMU of which this lease is a part is dissolved, the lease shall then be subject to the lease terms which would have been applied if the lease had not been included in an LMU.

Sec. 6. DOCUMENTS, EVIDENCE AND INSPECTION - At such times and in such form as lessor may prescribe, lessee shall furnish detailed statements showing the amounts and quality of all products removed and sold from the lease, the proceeds therefrom, and the amount used for production purposes or unavoidably lost.

Lessee shall keep open at all times for the inspection of any duly authorized officer of lessor, the leased premises and all surface and underground improvements, works, machinery, ore stockpiles, equipment, and all books, accounts, maps, and records relative to operations, surveys, or investigations on or under the leased lands.

Lessee shall allow lessor access to and copying of documents reasonably necessary to verify lessee compliance with terms and conditions of the lease.

While this lease remains in effect, information obtained under this section shall be closed to inspection by the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Sec. 7. DAMAGES TO PROPERTY AND CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS - Lessee shall comply at its own expense with all reasonable orders of the Secretary, respecting diligent operations, prevention of waste, and protection of other resources.

Lessee shall not conduct exploration operations, other than casual use, without an approved exploration plan. All exploration plans prior to the commencement of mining operations within an approved mining permit area shall be submitted to the authorized officer.

Lessee shall carry on all operations in accordance with approved methods and practices as provided in the operating regulations, having due regard for the prevention of injury to health. or property, and prevention of waste, damage or degradation to any land, air, water, cultural, biological, visual, other resources, including mineral deposits and formations of mineral deposits not leased hereunder, and to other land uses or users. Lessee

shall take measures deemed necessary by lessor to accomplish the intent of this lease term. Such measures may include, but not limited to, modification to proposed siting or design of facilities, timing of operations, and specification of interim and final reclamation procedures. reserves to itself the right to lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of the surface or other mineral deposits in the lands and the right to continue existing uses and to authorize future uses upon or in the leased lands. including issuing leases for mineral deposits, not covered hereunder and approving easements or rights-of-way. Lessor shall condition such uses to prevent unnecessary or unreasonable interference with rights of lessee as may be consistent with concepts of multiple use and multiple mineral development.

Sec. 8. PROTECTION 0F DIVERSE INTERESTS, AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY -Lessee shall: pay when due all taxes legally assessed and levied under the laws of the State or the United States; accord all employees complete freedom of purchase; pay all wages at least twice each month in lawful money of the United States; maintain a safe working environment in accordance with standard industry practices; restrict the workday to not more than 8 hours any one day for underground workers, except in emergencies; and take measures necessary to protect the health and safety of the public. person under the age of 16 years shall be employed in any mine below the surface. To the extent that laws of the State in which the lands are situated are more restrictive than the provisions in this paragraph, then the State laws apply.

Lessee will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

Neither lessee nor lessee's subcontractors shall maintain segregated facilities.

### Sec. 9.(a) TRANSFERS

- This lease may be transferred in whole or in part to any person, association, or corporation qualified to hold such lease interest.
- This lease may be transferred in whole or in part to another public body, or to a person who will mine the coal on behalf of, and for the use of, the public body or to a person who for the limited purpose of creating a security interest in favor of a lender agrees to be obligated to mine the coal on behalf of the public body.
- This lease may only be transferred in whole or in part to another small business qualified under 13 CFR 121.

Transfers of record title, working or royalty interest <u>must</u> be approved in accordance with the regulations.

- (b) RELINQUISHMENT The lessee may relinquish in writing at any time all rights under this lease or any portion thereof as provided in the regulations. Upon lessor's acceptance of the relinquishment, lessee shall be relieved of all future obligations under the lease or the relinquished portion thereof, whichever is applicable.
- Sec. 10. DELIVERY OF PREMISES, REMOVAL OF MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, ETC. At such time as all portions of this lease are returned to lessor, lessee shall deliver up to lessor the land

leased. underground timbering, such other supports and structures necessary for the preservation of the mine workings on the leased premises or deposits and place all workings in condition for suspension or abandon-Within 180 days thereof, lessee shall remove from the premises all other structures, machinery, equipment, tools, and materials that it elects to or as required by the authorized officer. Any structures, machinery, equipment, tools, and materials remaining on the leased lands beyond 180 days, or approved extension thereof, shall become the property of the lessor, but lessee shall either remove any or all such property or shall continue to be liable for the cost of removal and disposal in the amount actually incurred by the lessor. If the surface is owned by third parties, lessor shall waive the requirement removal, provided the third parties do not object to such waiver. Lessee shall, prior to the termination of bond liability or at any other time when required and in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations, reclaim all lands the surface of which has been disturbed, dispose of all debris or solid waste, repair the offsite and onsite damage caused by lessee's activity or activities incidental thereto, and reclaim access roads or trails.

Sec. 11. PROCEEDINGS 'IN CASE OF DEFAULT - If lessee fails to comply laws, applicable regulations, or the terms, conditions and stipulations of this lease, and the noncompliance continues for days after written notice thereof. this lease shall be subject cancellation by the lessor only by judicial proceedings. This provision shall not be construed to prevent the exercise by lessor of any other legal and equitable remedy, including waiver of the default. Any such remedy or waiver shall not prevent later

cancellation for the same default occurring at any other time.

- Sec. 12. HEIRS AND SUCCESSORS IN-INTEREST Each obligation of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon, and every benefit hereof shall inure to, the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns of the respective parties hereto.
- Sec. 13. INDEMNIFICATION Lessee shall indemnify and hold harmless the United States from any and all claims arising out of the lessee's activities and operations under this lease.
- Sec. 14. SPECIAL STATUTES This lease is subject to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1151 1175); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 et seq.), and to all other applicable laws pertaining to exploration activities, mining operations and reclamation, including the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1201 et seq.)

### Sec. 15. SPECIAL STIPULATIONS -

- 1. The Regulatory Authority shall mean the State Regulatory Authority pursuant to a cooperative agreement approved under 30 CFR Part 745 or in the absence of a cooperative agreement, Office of Surface Mining. The authorized officer shall mean the State Director, Bureau of Land Management. The authorized officer of the Surface Management Agency shall mean the Forest Supervisor, Forest Service. Surface Management Agency for private surface is the Bureau of Land Management. For adjoining private lands with Federal minerals and which primarily involve National Forest Service issues, the Forest Service will have the lead for environmental analysis and, when necessary, documentation in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.
- 2. The authorized officers, of the Bureau of Land Management, Office of Surface Mining (Regulatory Authority), and the Surface Management Agency (Forest Service) respectively, shall coordinate, as practical, regulation of mining operations and associated activities on the lease area.
- 3. In accordance with Sec. 523(b) of the "Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977," surface mining and reclamation operations conducted on this lease are to conform with the requirements of this Act and are subject to compliance with Office of Surface Mining Regulations, or as applicable, a Utah program equivalent approved under cooperative agreement in accordance with Sec. 523(c). The United States Government does not warrant that the entire tract will be susceptible to mining.

4. Federal Regulations 43 CFR 3400 pertaining to Coal Management make provisions for the Surface Management Agency, the surface of which is under the jurisdiction of any Federal agency other than the Department of Interior, to consent to leasing and to prescribe conditions to insure the use and protection of the lands. All or part of this lease contain lands the surface of which are managed by the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Manti-LaSal National Forest.

The following stipulations pertain to the lessee responsibility for mining operations on the lease area and on adjacent areas as may be specifically designated on National Forest System lands.

5. Before undertaking activities that may disturb the surface of previously undisturbed leased lands, the lessee may be required to conduct a cultural resource inventory and a paleontological appraisal of the areas to be disturbed. These studies shall be conducted by qualified professional cultural resource specialists or qualified paleontologists, as appropriate, and a report prepared itemizing the findings. A plan will then be submitted making recommendations for the protection of, or measures to be taken to mitigate impacts for identified cultural or paleontological resources.

If cultural resources or paleontological remains (fossils) of significant scientific interest are discovered during operations under this lease, the lessee prior to disturbance shall, immediately bring them to the attention of the appropriate authorities. Paleontological remains of significant scientific interest do not include leaves, ferns, or dinosaur tracks commonly encountered during underground mining operations.

The cost of conducting the inventory, preparing reports, and carrying out mitigating measures shall be borne by the lessee.

6. If there is reason to believe that threatened or endangered (T&E) species of plants or animals, or migratory bird species of high Federal interest occur in the area the lessee shall be required to conduct an intensive field inventory of the area to be disturbed and/or impacted. The inventory shall be conducted by a qualified specialist and a report of findings will be prepared. A plan will be prepared making recommendations for the protection of these species or action necessary to mitigate the disturbance.

The cost of conducting the inventory, preparing reports, and carrying out mitigating measures shall be borne by the lessee.

- 7. The lessee shall be required to perform a study to secure adequate baseline data to quantify the existing surface resources on and adjacent to the lease area. Existing data may be used if such data is adequate for the intended purposes. The study shall be adequate to locate, quantify, and demonstrate the inter-relationship of the geology, topography, surface hydrology, vegetation, and wildlife. Baseline data will be established so that future programs of observation can be incorporated at regular intervals for comparison.
- 8. Powerlines used in conjunction with the mining of coal from this lease shall be constructed so as to provide adequate protection for raptors and other large birds. When feasible, powerlines will be located at least 100 yards from public roads.

- 9. The limited area available for mine facilities at the coal outcrop, steep topography, adverse winter weather, and physical limitations on the size and design of the access road, are factors which will determine the ultimate size of the surface area utilized for the mine. A site specific environmental analysis will be prepared for each new mine site development and for major modifications to existing developments to examine alternatives and mitigate conflicts.
- 10. The lessee shall be required to establish a monitoring system to locate, measure, and quantify the progressive and final effects of underground mining activities on the topographic surface, underground and surface hydrology and vegetation. The monitoring system shall utilize techniques which will provide a continuing record of change over time and an analytical method for location and measurement of a number of points over the lease area. The monitoring shall incorporate and be an extension of the baseline data.
- 11. The lessee shall provide for the suppression and control of fugitive dust on haul roads and at coal handling and storage facilities. On Forest Development Roads (FDR), lessees may perform their share of road maintenance by a commensurate share agreement if a significant degree of traffic is generated that is not related to their activities.
- 12. Except at specifically approved locations, underground mining operations shall be conducted in such a manner so as to prevent surface subsidence that would: (1) cause the creation of hazardous conditions such as potential escarpment failure and landslides, (2) cause damage to existing surface structures, and (3) damage or alter the flow of perennial streams. The lessee shall provide specific measures for the protection of escarpments, and determine corrective measures to assure that hazardous conditions are not created.
- 13. In order to avoid surface disturbance on steep canyon slopes and to preclude the need for surface access, all surface breakouts for ventilation tunnels shall be constructed from inside the mine, except at specifically approved locations.
- 14. If removal of timber is required for clearing of construction sites, etc., such timber shall be removed in accordance with the regulations of the surface management agency.
- 15. The coal contained within, and authorized for mining under this lease, shall be extracted only by underground mining methods.
- 16. Existing Forest Service owned or permitted surface improvements will need to be protected, restored, or replaced to provide for the continuance of current land uses.
- 17. In order to protect big game wintering areas, elk calving and deer fawning areas, sagegrouse strutting areas, and other critical wildlife habitat and/or activities, specific surface uses outside the mine development area may be curtailed during specific periods of the year.
- 18. The lessee at the conclusion of the mining operations, or at other times as surface disturbance related to mining may occur, will replace all damaged, disturbed, or displaced corner monuments (section corners, quarter corners, etc.) their accessories and appendages (witness trees, bearing trees, etc.), or restore them to their original condition and location, or at other locations that meet the

requirements of the rectangular surveying system. This work shall be conducted at the expense of the lessee, by a professional land surveyor registered in the State of Utah and to the standards and guidelines found in the manual of surveying instruction, U.S. Department of Interior.

- 19. The lessee at his expense will be responsible to replace any surface water identified for protection, that may be lost or adversely affected by mining operations, with water from an alternate source in sufficient quantity and quality to maintain existing riparian habitat, fishery habitat, livestock and wildlife use, or other land uses.
- 20. The lessee must comply with all the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture set forth at Title 36, Chapter II, of the Code of Federal Regulations governing the use and management of the National Forest System (NFS) when not inconsistent with the rights granted by the Secretary of the Interior in the lease. The Secretary of Agriculture's rules and regulations must be complied with for (1) all use and occupancy of the NFS prior to approval of a permit/operation plan by the Secretary of Interior, (2) uses of all existing improvements, such as Forest Development Roads, within and outside the area licensed, permitted or leased by the Secretary of Interior, and (3) use and occupancy of the NFS not authorized by a permit/operation plan approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

All matters related to this stipulation are to be addressed to:

Forest Supervisor
Manti-LaSal National Forest
599 West Price River Drive
Price, Utah 84501

Telephone No.: 801-637-2817

who is the authorized representative of the Secretary of Agriculture.



### United States Department of the Interior

### **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

Utah State Office P.O. Box 45155 Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0155

In Reply Refer To: 3432 UTU-38727 (UT-924)

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### **DECISION**

C.O.P. Coal Development Company

Coal Lease

53 West Angelo Avenue

UTU-38727

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

UTU-38/2

### Coal Lease UTU-38727 Modified

Coal lease UTU-38727 was modified effective June 19, 2002. All terms and conditions of the original lease were made consistent with the laws, regulations, and lease terms applicable at the time of this modification.

Additional rental of \$110.00 to cover the estimated additional rental for the current rental year was submitted June 17, 2002. Rental in the amount of \$3.00 per acre, or a total of \$2,343 is due on May 1, 2003.

Within 30 days after the effective date of this lease modification, the lessee shall amend its Bear Canyon Logical Mining Unit application to include the 40.00 acres added to coal lease UTU-38727 by this modification. The modified land shall be segregated into another Federal coal lease should the lessee fail to file such amendment.

Robert Lopez Chief, Branch

Minerals Adjudication

### **Enclosures:**

1. Copy of Modified Lease (12 pp)

cc: MMS, Solids (w/copy of modification)

Resource Development Coordinating Committee (w/copy of modification)

Price Coal Office (Attn: Steve Falk) (w/copy of modification)

Manti-LaSal National Forest (w/copy of modification)

Lowell Braxton, Director, UDOGM, Box 145801, SLC, UT 84114 (w/copy of modification)

SITLA, Attn: John Blake (w/copy of modification)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Serial No. UTU-38727

MODIFIED COAL LEASE	Date of Lease: May 1, 1958
PART I.	
THIS MODIFIED COAL LEASE is entered in	nto on, by and between the
<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b> , hereinafter Management, and	called the Lessor, through the Bureau of Land

C.O.P. Coal Development Company 53 West Angelo Avenue Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

hereinafter called Lessee.

This modified lease shall retain the effective date of May 1, 1958, of the original COAL LEASE UTU-38727, and is effective for a period of 20 years therefrom, and for so long thereafter as coal is produced in commercial quantities from the leased lands, subject to readjustment of lease terms at the end of the 20th lease year (May 1, 1978), and each 10-year period thereafter.

**Sec. 1**. This lease is issued pursuant and subject to the terms and provisions of the: (NOTE: Check the appropriate Act or Acts.)

XX Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, 41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C. 181-287, hereinafter referred to as the Act;

\_ Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands of 1947, 61 Stat. 913, 30 U.S.C. 351-359;

and to the regulations and formal orders of the Secretary of the Interior which are now or hereafter in force, when not inconsistent with the express and specific provisions herein.

**Sec. 2**. Lessee as the holder of Coal Lease UTU-38727, issued effective May 1, 1958, was granted the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, mine, extract, remove or otherwise process and dispose of the coal deposits in, upon, or under the lands described below as <u>Tract 1</u>.

The Lessor in consideration of fair market value, rents and royalties to be paid, and the conditions and covenants to be observed as herein set forth, hereby grants and leases to Lessee the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, mine, extract, remove, or otherwise process and dispose of the coal deposits in, upon, or under the lands described below as Tract 2.

<u>Tract 1</u>: T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, UT

T. 16 S., R. 8 E., SLM, UT

Sec. 24, SENE, E2SE;

Sec. 19, lots 2-4, SENW, E2SW, SWSE.

Sec. 25, N2NE,SWNE,SWNW,

NWSW, W2SE, SESE.

Tract 2: T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, UT

Sec. 24, NENE.

containing 780.39 acres, more or less, together with the right to construct such works, buildings, plants, structures, equipment and appliances and the right to use such on-lease rights-of-way which may be necessary and convenient in the exercise of the rights and privileges granted, subject to the conditions herein provided.

### Part II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Sec. 1.(a) RENTAL RATE Lessee shall pay Lessor rental annually and in advance for each acre or fraction thereof during the continuance of the lease at the rate of \$3.00 per acre for each lease year.
- (b) RENTAL CREDITS Rental shall not be credited against either production or advance royalties for any year.
- Sec. 2.(a) PRODUCTION ROYALTIES The royalty shall be 8 percent of the value of the coal as set forth in the regulations. Royalties are due to Lessor the final day of the month succeeding the calendar month in which the royalty obligation accrues.
- request by the Lessee, the authorized officer may accept, for a total of not more than 10 years, the payment of advance royalties in lieu of continued operation, consistent with the regulations. The advance royalty shall be based on a percent of the value of a minimum number of tons determined in the manner established by the advance royalty regulations in effect at the time the Lessee requests approval to pay advance royalties in lieu of continued operation.
- Sec. 3. BONDS Lessee shall maintain in the proper office a lease bond in the amount of \$5,000. The authorized officer may require an increase in this amount when additional coverage is determined appropriate.
- **Sec. 4**. **DILIGENCE** This lease is held by inclusion in an amendment to the Bear Canyon LMU.

The Lessor reserves the power to assent to or order the suspension of the terms and conditions of this lease in accordance with, inter alia, Section 39 of the Mineral Leasing Act, 30 U.S.C. 209.

Sec. 5. **LOGICAL MINING UNIT (LMU)** - The lands contained in the original lease have been included in the Bear Canyon LMU application UTU-73342 filed April 20, 1990. Within 30 days after the effective date of this lease modification, the Lessee shall amend its application for the Bear Canyon Logical

Mining Unit to include the 40.00 acres added to Coal Lease UTU-38727 by this modification. The modified land shall be segregated into another Federal coal lease should the Lessee fail to file such an amendment.

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All matters related to this stipulation are to be addressed to:

Forest Supervisor Manti-LaSal National Forest 599 West Price River Drive Price, Utah 84501

Telephone No.: 801-637-2817

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#### **DECISION**

C.O.P. Coal Development Company

Coal Lease

53 West Angelo Avenue

UTU-38727

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

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Coal lease UTU-38727 was modified effective June 19, 2002. All terms and conditions of the original lease were made consistent with the laws, regulations, and lease terms applicable at the time of this modification.

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Robert Lopez Chief, Branch

Minerals Adjudication

#### **Enclosures:**

1. Copy of Modified Lease (12 pp)

cc: MMS, Solids (w/copy of modification)

Resource Development Coordinating Committee (w/copy of modification)

Price Coal Office (Attn: Steve Falk) (w/copy of modification)

Manti-LaSal National Forest (w/copy of modification)

Lowell Braxton, Director, UDOGM, Box 145801, SLC, UT 84114 (w/copy of modification)

SITLA, Attn: John Blake (w/copy of modification)

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Serial No. UTU-38727

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C.O.P. Coal Development Company 53 West Angelo Avenue Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

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Sec. 24, SENE, E2SE;

Sec. 19, lots 2-4, SENW, E2SW, SWSE.

Sec. 25, N2NE,SWNE,SWNW,

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Sec. 24, NENE.

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## SPECIAL STIPULATIONS FOR MODIFIED COAL LEASE U-38727

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All matters related to this stipulation are to be addressed to:

Forest Supervisor Manti-LaSal National Forest 599 West Price River Drive Price, Utah 84501

Telephone No.: 801-637-2817

who is the authorized representative of the Secretary of Agriculture.

23. Notwithstanding the approval of a resource recovery and protection plan by the BLM, lessor reserves the right to seek damages against the operator/lessee in the event (I) the operator/lessee fails to achieve maximum economic recovery [as defined at 43 CFR §3480.0-5(21)] of the recoverable coal reserves or (ii) the operator/lessee is determined to have caused a wasting of recoverable coal reserves. Damages shall be measured on the basis of the royalty that would have been payable on the wasted or unrecovered coal.

The parties recognize that under an approved R2P2, conditions may require a modification by the operator/lessee of that plan. In the event a coal bed or portion thereof is not to be mined or is rendered unminable by the operation, the operator shall submit appropriate justification to obtain approval by the AO to leave such reserves unmined. Upon approval by the AO, such coal beds or portions thereof shall not be subject to damages as described above. Further, nothing in this section shall prevent the operator/lessee from exercising its right to relinquish all or a portion of the lease as authorized by statute and regulation.

In the event the AO determines that the R2P2 as approved will not attain MER as the result of changed conditions, the AO will give proper notice to the operator/lessee as required under applicable regulations. The AO will order a modification if necessary, identifying additional reserves to be mined in order to attain MER. Upon a final administrative or judicial ruling upholding such an ordered modification, any reserves left unmined (wasted) under that plan will be subject to damages as described in the first paragraph under this section.

Subject to the right to appeal hereinafter set forth, payment of the value of the royalty on such unmined recoverable coal reserves shall become due and payable upon determination by the AO that the coal reserves have been rendered unminable or at such time that the lessee has demonstrated an unwillingness to extract the coal.

The BLM may enforce this provision either by issuing a written decision requiring payment of the MMS demand for such royalties, or by issuing a notice of non-compliance. A decision or notice of non-compliance issued by the lessor that payment is due under this stipulation is appealable as allowed by law.

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# Bureau of Land Management Utah State Office 324 South State, Suite 301 Sait Lake City, Utah 84111-2303

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DECISION

Nevada Electric Investment Company P. O. Box 320 Coal Lease U-46484

Las Vegas, NV 89151

### Lease Readjusted Effective May 1, 1988

On October 16, 1987, Nevada Electric Investment Company was sent a Notice of Proposed Readjustment of Lease in connection with U-46484. The land description in Section 2 of the readjusted lease form is corrected to read:

Sec. 10, N<sup>1</sup>2, N<sup>1</sup>2S<sup>1</sup>2, SE<sup>1</sup>4SW<sup>1</sup>4, S<sup>1</sup>2SE<sup>1</sup>4. Sec. 11, all; Sec. 12, W<sup>1</sup>2W<sup>1</sup>2.

The only other objection stated was in regard to the number of tons of recoverable reserves contained on coal lease U-46484. As explained in our letter dated December 16, 1987, the coal reserve estimates are subject to change based on new data at any time within the ten year period following readjustment; therefore, coal lease U-46484 is readjusted effective May 1, 1988 as stipulated in the decision and Coal Lease Readjustment.

The new rental and royalty rate will be effective simultaneously with the effective date of the readjustment.

A lease bond in the amount of \$5,000 is currently on file. This bond is conditioned upon compliance with all the terms and conditions of this coal lease and is determined to be adequate coverage at this time.

#### ROBERT LOPEZ

Chief, Minerals Adjudication Section

Enclosure Coal Lease Readjustment

cc: Resource Development Coordinating Committee w/encl.

Solid Minerals (U-921) w/encl. USFS, Ogden, UT w/encl. MMS, AFS, Denver, CO w/encl. Moab District w/encl.

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Serial Number <u>U-46484</u>
Lease Date <u>May 1, 1958</u>

#### COAL LEASE READJUSTMENT

#### Part I. LEASE RIGHTS GRANTED

This lease, entered into by and between the United States of America, hereinafter called the lessor, through the Bureau of Land Management, and

Nevada Electric Investment Company P. O. Box 230 Las Vegas, NV 89151

hereinafter called lessee, is readjusted, effective May 1, 1988, for a period of 10 years and for so long thereafter as coal is produced in commercial quantities from the leased lands, subject to readjustment of lease terms at the end of each 10 year lease period.

Sec. 1. This lease readjustment is subject to the terms and provisions of the:

XX	Mineral	Lands	Leasing	Act	of	1920,	Act	of	February	25,	1920	, as	amended,
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Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands, Act of August 7, 1947, 61 Stat. 913, 30 U.S.C. 351-359;

and to the regulations and formal orders of the Secretary of the Interior which are now or hereafter in force, when not inconsistent with the express and specific provisions herein.

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T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah, Emery County Sec. 10, N½, N½S½, SE¼SW¼, S½SE¼; Sec. 11, all; Sec. 12, W½W½.

containing 1,400.00 acres, more or less, together with the right to construct such works, buildings, plants, structures, equipment and appliances and the right to use such on-lease rights-of-way which may be necessary and convenient in the exercise of the rights and privileges granted, subject to the conditions herein provided.

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shall pay lessor rental annually and
in advance for each acre or fraction
thereof during the continuance of the
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lease year.

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not attributable to the lessee. lessor, in the public interest, may suspend the condition of continued operation upon payment of advance royalties in accordance with the regulations in existence at the time of the suspension. Lessee's failure produce coal in commercial quantities at the end of 10 years shall terminate the lease. If not submitted already, lessee shall submit operation and reclamation plan pursuant to Section 7 of the Act not later than 3 years after the effective date of this lease readjustment.

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**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** 

In Reply Refer To: 3451 U-61048 (UT-932)

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NOTICE

C.O.P. Coal Development Company 53 West Angelo Avenue Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

Coal Lease U-61048

#### Lease Terms and Conditions to be Readjusted

Coal lease U-61048 was issued effective February 8, 1923, and the terms and conditions of the lease become subject to readjustment on February 8, 2003.

Notice is hereby given that the lease terms and conditions will be readjusted under the provisions of 43 CFR 3451.

As required by the regulations at 43 CFR 3451.1(c)(2), a decision containing the readjusted terms and conditions will be forwarded to you no later than February 8, 2003.

Robert Lopez Chief, Branch of

Minerals Adjudication

cc: Resource Development Coordinating Committee Price Coal Office (Attn: Jay Marshall)



### United States Department of the Interior

#### **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

Utah State Office P.O. Box 45155 Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0155

In Reply Refer To: 3432 UTU-61049 (UT-924)

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#### **DECISION**

C.O.P. Coal Development Company

Coal Lease

53 West Angelo Avenue

UTU-61049

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

Coal lease UTU-61049 was modified effective June 19, 2002. All terms and conditions of the original lease were made consistent with the laws, regulations, and lease terms applicable at the time of this modification.

Coal Lease UTU-61049 Modified

Additional rental of \$200.00 to cover the estimated additional rental for the current rental year was submitted June 17, 2002. Rental in the amount of \$3.00 per acre, or a total of \$6,591 is due on November 1, 2002.

Within 30 days after the effective date of this lease modification, the lessee shall amend its Bear Canyon Logical Mining Unit application to include the 160.00 acres added to coal lease UTU-61049 by this modification. The modified land shall be segregated into another Federal coal lease should the lessee fail to file such amendment.

Chief, Branch of Minerals Adjudication

#### **Enclosures:**

1. Copy of Modified Lease (12 pp)

cc: MMS, Solids (w/copy of modification)

Resource Development Coordinating Committee (w/copy of modification)

Price Coal Office (Attn: Steve Falk) (w/copy of modification)

Manti-LaSal National Forest (w/copy of modification)

Lowell Braxton, Director, UDOGM, Box 145801, SLC, UT 84114 (w/copy of modification)

SITLA, Attn: John Blake (w/copy of modification)

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

Serial No. UTU-61049

MOD	IFIFD	COAL	LEASE

Date of Lease: November 1, 1949

PART I.

JUN 1 9 2002 THIS MODIFIED COAL LEASE is entered into on , by and between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, hereinafter called the Lessor, through the Bureau of Land Management, and

> C.O.P. Coal Development Company 53 West Angelo Avenue Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

hereinafter called Lessee.

This modified lease shall retain the effective date of November 1, 1949, of the original COAL LEASE UTU-61049, and is effective for a period of 20 years therefrom, and for so long thereafter as coal is produced in commercial quantities from the leased lands, subject to readjustment of lease terms at the end of the 20th lease year (November 1, 1969), and each 10-year period thereafter.

Sec. 1. This lease is issued pursuant and subject to the terms and provisions of the: (NOTE: Check the appropriate Act or Acts.)

XX Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, 41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C. 181-287, hereinafter referred to as the Act:

\_ Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands of 1947, 61 Stat. 913, 30 U.S.C. 351-359;

and to the regulations and formal orders of the Secretary of the Interior which are now or hereafter in force, when not inconsistent with the express and specific provisions herein.

Sec. 2. Lessee as the holder of Coal Lease UTU-61049, issued effective November 1, 1949, was granted the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, mine, extract, remove or otherwise process and dispose of the coal deposits in, upon, or under the lands described below as Tract 1.

The Lessor in consideration of fair market value, rents and royalties to be paid, and the conditions and covenants to be observed as herein set forth, hereby grants and leases to Lessee the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, mine, extract, remove, or otherwise process and dispose of the coal deposits in, upon, or under the lands described below as Tract 2.

Tract 1: T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, UT

Sec. 1, lot 2, SWNE, W2SE;

Sec. 12, W2NE,E2W2,SE;

Sec. 13, E2, E2W2.

T. 16 S., R. 8 E., SLM, UT

Sec. 7, lots 3,4,E2SW;

Sec. 18, lots 1-4,E2,E2W2;

Sec. 19, SWNE, NWSE;

Sec. 20, SENW, NESW.

Tract 2: T. 16 S., R. 8 E., SLM, UT

Sec. 19, SENE, NESE:

Sec. 20, SWNW, NWSW.

containing 2196.09 acres, more or less, together with the right to construct such works, buildings, plants, structures, equipment and appliances and the right to use such on-lease rights-of-way which may be necessary and convenient in the exercise of the rights and privileges granted, subject to the conditions herein provided.

#### Part II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Sec. 1.(a) RENTAL RATE Lessee shall pay Lessor rental annually and in advance for each acre or fraction thereof during the continuance of the lease at the rate of \$3.00 per acre for each lease year.
- (b) RENTAL CREDITS Rental shall not be credited against either production or advance royalties for any year.
- Sec. 2.(a) PRODUCTION ROYALTIES The royalty shall be 8 percent of the value of the coal as set forth in the regulations. Royalties are due to Lessor the final day of the month succeeding the calendar month in which the royalty obligation accrues.
- (b) ADVANCE ROYALTIES Upon request by the Lessee, the authorized officer may accept, for a total of not more than 10 years, the payment of advance royalties in lieu of continued operation, consistent with the regulations. The advance royalty shall be based on a percent of the value of a minimum number of tons determined in the manner established by the advance royalty regulations in effect at the time the Lessee requests approval to pay advance royalties in lieu of continued operation.
- **Sec. 3. BONDS** Lessee shall maintain in the proper office a lease bond in the amount of \$7,000. The authorized officer may require an increase in this amount when additional coverage is determined appropriate.
- **Sec. 4. DILIGENCE** This lease is held by inclusion in an amendment to the Bear Canyon LMU.

The Lessor reserves the power to assent to or order the suspension of the terms and conditions of this lease in accordance with, inter alia, Section 39 of the Mineral Leasing Act, 30 U.S.C. 209.

Sec. 5. LOGICAL MINING UNIT (LMU) - The lands contained in the original lease have been included in the Bear Canyon LMU application UTU-73342 filed April 20, 1990. Within 30 days after the effective date of this lease modification, the Lessee shall amend its application for the Bear Canyon Logical

Mining Unit to include the 160.00 acres added to Coal Lease UTU-61049 by this modification. The modified land shall be segregated into another Federal coal lease should the Lessee fail to file such an amendment.

The stipulations established in an LMU approval in effect at the time of LMU approval or modification will supersede the relevant inconsistent terms of this lease so long as the lease remains committed to the LMU. If the LMU of which this lease is a part is dissolved, the lease shall then be subject to the lease terms which would have been applied if the lease had not been included in an LMU.

Sec. 6. DOCUMENTS, EVIDENCE AND INSPECTION - At such times and in such form as Lessor may prescribe, Lessee shall furnish detailed statements showing the amounts and quality of all products removed and sold from the lease, the proceeds therefrom, and the amount used for production purposes or unavoidably lost.

Lessee shall keep open at all reasonable times for the inspection of any duly authorized officer of Lessor, the leased premises and all surface and underground improvements, works, machinery, ore stockpiles, equipment, and all books, accounts, maps, and records relative to operations, surveys, or investigations on or under the leased lands.

Lessee shall allow Lessor access to and copying of documents reasonably necessary to verify Lessee compliance with terms and conditions of the lease.

While this lease remains in effect, information obtained under this section shall be closed to inspection by the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Action (5 U.S.C. 552).

Sec. 7. DAMAGES TO PROPERTY AND CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS - Lessee shall comply at its own expense with all reasonable orders of the Secretary, respecting diligent operations, prevention of waste, and protection of other resources.

Lessee shall not conduct exploration operations, other than casual use, without an

approved exploration plan. All exploration plans prior to the commencement of mining operations within an approved mining permit area shall be submitted to the authorized officer.

Lessee shall carry on all operations in accordance with approved methods and practices as provided in the operating regulations, having due regard for the prevention of injury to life, health, or property, prevention of waste, damage or degradation any land, air, water, cultural, biological, visual, and other resources, including mineral deposits and formations of mineral deposits not leased hereunder, and to other land uses or users. Lessee shall take measures deemed necessary by Lessor to accomplish the intent of this lease term. Such measures may include, but not limited to, modification to proposed siting or design of facilities, timing of operations, specifications of interim and final reclamation procedures. Lessor reserves to itself the right to lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of the surface or other mineral deposits in the lands and the right to continue existing uses and to authorize future uses upon or in the leased lands, including issuing leases for mineral deposits not covered hereunder and approving easements or rights-of-way. Lessor shall condition such uses to prevent unnecessary or unreasonable interference with rights of Lessee as may be consistent with concepts of multiple use and multiple mineral development.

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provisions in this paragraph, then the State laws apply.

Lessee will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor. Neither Lessee nor Lessee's subcontractors shall maintain segregated facilities.

Sec. 9.(a) **TRANSFERS** (Check the appropriate space)

- X This lease may be transferred in whole or in part to any person, association or corporation qualified to hold such lease interest.
- This lease may be transferred in whole or in part to another public body, or to a person who will mine the coal on behalf of, and for the use of, the public body or to a person who for the limited purpose of creating a security interest in favor of a lender agrees to be obligated to mine the coal on behalf of the public body.
- This lease may only be transferred in whole or in part to another small business qualified under 13 CFR 121.

Transfers of record title, working or royalty interest must be approved in accordance with the regulations.

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Sec. 14. SPECIAL STATUTES - This lease is subject to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1151 - 1175); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 et seq.), and to all other applicable laws pertaining to exploration activities, mining operations and reclamation, including the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1201 et seq.)

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## **SEE ATTACHED STIPULATIONS**

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## SPECIAL STIPULATIONS FOR MODIFIED COAL LEASE U-61049

- 1. The Regulatory Authority shall mean the State Regulatory Authority pursuant to a cooperative agreement approved under 30 CFR Part 745 or in the absence of a cooperative agreement, Office of Surface Mining. The authorized officer shall mean the State Director, Bureau of Land Management. The authorized officer of the Surface Management Agency shall mean the Forest Supervisor, Forest Service. Surface Management Agency for private surface is the Bureau of Land Management. For adjoining private lands with Federal minerals and which primarily involve National Forest Service issues, the Forest Service will have the lead for environmental analysis and, when necessary, documentation in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.
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- 3. In accordance with Sec. 523(b) of the "Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977," surface mining and reclamation operations conducted on this lease are to conform with the requirements of this Act and are subject to compliance with Office of Surface Mining Regulations, or as applicable, a Utah program equivalent approved under cooperative agreement in accordance with Sec. 523(c). The United States Government does not warrant that the entire tract will be susceptible to mining.
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The following stipulations pertain to the lessee responsibility for mining operations on the lease area and on adjacent areas as may be specifically designated on National Forest System lands.

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23. Notwithstanding the approval of a resource recovery and protection plan by the BLM, lessor reserves the right to seek damages against the operator/lessee in the event (I) the operator/lessee fails to achieve maximum economic recovery [as defined at 43 CFR §3480.0-5(21)] of the recoverable coal reserves or (ii) the operator/lessee is determined to have caused a wasting of recoverable coal reserves. Damages shall be measured on the basis of the royalty that would have been payable on the wasted or unrecovered coal.

The parties recognize that under an approved R2P2, conditions may require a modification by the operator/lessee of that plan. In the event a coal bed or portion thereof is not to be mined or is rendered unminable by the operation, the operator shall submit appropriate justification to obtain approval by the AO to leave such reserves unmined. Upon approval by the AO, such coal beds or portions thereof shall not be subject to damages as described above. Further, nothing in this section shall prevent the operator/lessee from exercising its right to relinquish all or a portion of the lease as authorized by statute and regulation.

In the event the AO determines that the R2P2 as approved will not attain MER as the result of changed conditions, the AO will give proper notice to the operator/lessee as required under applicable regulations. The AO will order a modification if necessary, identifying additional reserves to be mined in order to attain MER. Upon a final administrative or judicial ruling upholding such an ordered modification, any reserves left unmined (wasted) under that plan will be subject to damages as described in the first paragraph under this section.

Subject to the right to appeal hereinafter set forth, payment of the value of the royalty on such unmined recoverable coal reserves shall become due and payable upon determination by the AO that the coal reserves have been rendered unminable or at such time that the lessee has demonstrated an unwillingness to extract the coal.

The BLM may enforce this provision either by issuing a written decision requiring payment of the MMS demand for such royalties, or by issuing a notice of non-compliance. A decision or notice of non-compliance issued by the lessor that payment is due under this stipulation is appealable as allowed by law.

24. WASTE CERTIFICATION: The lessee shall provide upon abandonment and/or sealing off a mined area and prior to lease termination/relinquishment, certification to the lessor that, based upon a complete search of all the operator's records for the mine and upon their knowledge of past operations, there has been no **hazardous substances** per (40 CFR 302.4) or **used oil** as per Utah State Management Rule R-315-15, deposited within the lease, either on the surface or underground, or that all remedial action necessary has been taken to protect human health and the environment with respect to any such substances remaining on the property. The back-up documentation to be provided shall be described by the lessor prior to the first certification and shall include all documentation applicable to the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-know Act (EPCRA, Public Law 99-499), Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 or equivalent.

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- 25. UNDERGROUND INSPECTION: All safe and accessible areas shall be inspected prior to being sealed. The lessee shall notify the Authorized Officer in writing 30 days prior to the sealing of any areas in the mine and state the reason for closure. Prior to seals being put into place, the lessee shall inspect the area and document any equipment/machinery, hazardous substances, and used oil that is to be left underground. The Authorized Officer may participate in this inspection. The purpose of this inspection will be: (1) to provide documentation for compliance with 42 U.S.C. 9620 section 120(h) and State Management Rule R-315-15, and to assure that certification will be meaningful at the time of lease relinquishment, (2) to document the inspection with a mine map showing location of equipment/machinery (model, type of fluid, amount remaining, batteries etc.) that is proposed to be left underground. In addition, these items will be photographed at the lessee's expense and shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer as part of the certification. The abandonment of any equipment/machinery shall be on a case by case basis and shall not be accomplished unless the Authorized Officer has granted a written approval. Any on-lease disposal of non-coal waste must comply with 30 CFR § 817.89.
- 26. Due to the uncertainty of the amount of recoverable coal tons in this modification and the uncertainty in mining conditions, the lessee will pay the fair market value (FMV) for the coal resources mined in the area of Federal Coal Lease Modification (U-61049) at the rate of \$0.25 per ton for the actual tonnage mined. Payment of FMV at the specified rate and tonnage mined will be on the schedule required for payment of production royalties to the Minerals Management Service (MMS). The lessee will clearly indicate which portion of the payment is for royalty and what is for lease bonus payment.



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